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Minden hit hardest by weekend flooding

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Heavy rains over the weekend led to flooding throughout Haliburton County and put many of the reservoir and flow-through lakes of the Trent Severn Waterway at or above capacity. Minden Hills was hit hardest, with flood waters nearing the same levels as those in 2013. A state of emergency was called on May 6. Township staff and dozens of volunteers filled close to 40,000 sandbags over the weekend. Water levels rose 18 cm from May 6 to May 7.

"We're going to live with this for a couple of weeks," said Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin. He expected the waters to crest in the early part of this week.

"The bottom line is that TSW will continue to move water around to reduce pressure from the highest lakes, and put what it can through Minden without making Minden worse," wrote Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt in a water levels update on May 8.

A number of roads in Minden Hills were closed. Bobcaygeon Road bridge was closed on May 8 after accumulated water started to flow over the road.

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Paying tribute

Rebecca Hamilton, front, Madeline Hopkins, left, and Sonja Flatman of Heritage Ballet gave the Tributes audience a delightful performance to the song Rubies on Wednesday, May 3, at the high school. More on page 17. /JENN WATT Staff

Church relocation recommendation deferred again

CHAD INGRAM
Staff Reporter

Dysart's public meeting committee has again deferred making a recommendation on an application from The Lighthouse Pentecostal Church for a zoning change that would see the church move into the

former home of Millennium Fitness on Harmony Road.

The property is currently zoned rural residential and environmental protection and the church is requesting a zoning of residential type 1 exception and environmental protection. The rezoning is a condition of the purchase of the property by the church.

At an April 3 public meeting, Harmony Road residents expressed concerns including those about noise, traffic, overflow parking, snowplowing and drainage from the property's parking lot, which is scheduled to increase in size.

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Bayshore only Dysart road closed

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Invergordon, Anson Street and Orde Street, where portions of road were completely underwater, were closed. Water Street, next to the river, was also closed except to local traffic. Portions of Soyers Lake, Milburn and Devil's Lake Road were closed but were reopened by May 4. A portion of Bobcaygeon Road north of Minden, which experienced a culvert washout that left a gaping crevice in the road, remained closed at press time.

In the village of Haliburton, a portion of Bayshore Road between Highway 118 and the Haliburton Highlands Museum was washed away, a stream of water gushing through it.

The Municipality of Dysart et al opened gates at Glebe Park, allowing residents to access their homes by traveling through the park and property of Fleming College's Haliburton School of Art and Design.

"Not an ideal situation, but with some care taken, we'll get through OK and the school has been very responsive and helpful," Dysart et al chief administrative officer Tamara Wilbee told the paper.

Bayshore is the only Dysart-owned road that has been closed due to flooding so far.

"Just drive slowly and watch for shoulder washouts until the crews can get everything fixed up," said Wilbee.

Several thoroughfares in Algonquin Highlands, including but not limited to Big Hawk Lake, Dawson, Halls Lake, Old Mill and Braeloch roads, were affected by floodwaters. Elvin Johnson Park and the Little Hawk Lake Landing were closed due to high water levels. The Hawk Lake log chute was damaged due to high water flows. Contau Lake Road was closed at Irondale Road in Highlands East due to water over the road. Water levels in the area were high but starting to recede at press time.

At the upper tier of Haliburton County, the municipality experienced some problems and shoulder washouts on County Roads 14, 11, 3, 21 and 2. So far, no Haliburton County roads have required closing.

"All things considered, we are in good shape," county roads director Craig Douglas told the paper. An interactive road closure map was recently launched by the county, for drivers to get up-to-date information on their computers and smartphones. It is available alongside



Above, Michael Bainbridge pulls his boat, which he uses to ferry loved ones around town, up to his Anson Street home on Monday morning, May 8 in Minden. The Gull River flooded residential areas, closing streets and the Bobcaygeon Road bridge. The last time the area was flooded was only four years ago. /DARREN LUM Staff
Left, a rush of water following days of heavy rains washed out Bayshore Road off Highway 118 outside of Haliburton on May 2. The road remains closed. Rain continued throughout the week, filling many streets with water. /DARREN LUM Staff

other updates on municipal websites. Meanwhile, Parks Canada is at work moving water through the feeder system for the Trent-Severn Waterway. Reservoir lakes north of Minden have reached or exceeded capacity levels as water is retained to prevent severe flooding in the village. On Wednesday, May 3, logs were pulled from dams at Hawk and Kushog lakes in Algonquin Highlands and at Kennisis, Percy, Oblong, Redstone and Eagle in Dysart et al.

On May 4, outflows were increased from Horseshoe Lake into the Gull River, where water levels through the village of Minden continued to rise. The Gull gobbled up portions of Minden Riverwalk and reached some homes along Invergordon Avenue over the weekend.

Sandbags are available for Minden Hills residents at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena at 55 Parkside Dr., at the Furnace Falls Park entrance on County Road 503, at the Lady of Fatima Catholic Church at 7 Bobcaygeon Rd. and at the public works yard at 4564 County Road 121 near Kinmount. In Haliburton, sand bags are available at the municipal yards at 13323 Hwy. 118. In Algonquin Highlands, sandbags are located at the township pub-

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Not an ideal situation, but with some care taken, we'll get through OK.

— Dysart et al CAO Tamara Wilbee

lic works yards at 1035 North Shore Road and in Dorset at 1850 Kawagama Lake Road. These are self-serve resources and residents are reminded to bring their own shovels and take only what they need.

Local politicians and municipal staff continue to have daily conference calls with officials from the MNRF and TSW as a flood warning remains in effect for Haliburton County.

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Traffic, parking among residents' concerns

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The committee deferred the issue to a May 1 public meeting, awaiting the completion of a site plan for the application.

At the May 1 meeting, residents reiterated concerns, including about drainage. With the building's maximum occupancy of 140 people, regulations require that a minimum of 35 parking spots be created.

The current parking lot has no marked spaces, but the owner estimates there is room for approximately 25 to 30 vehicles.

"No new buildings are proposed for this project," said township planner Patricia Martin, explaining this meant that the drainage on the property should not be significantly altered by the addition of parking spaces.

Martin said the site had been visited by the municipality's director of public works and that, "he advises he has no particular concerns with drainage or parking."

Residents of Harmony Road, however, continue to worry about these issues.

"I was just wondering about trees," said one resident, asking if trees would be cut down to accommodate more parking.

"No trees will be taken down in that parking lot," said Jamie McMahon, a representative of the church. McMahon said a rock island currently located in the parking lot would be removed.

One resident said she was concerned about garbage blowing from cars and asked if the church would be erecting a fence.

"We actually hadn't thought of that," McMahon said. "Right now, there's no plans for a fence, but if that's something we'd have to consider, we would consider that."

Regarding traffic, while the building sits outside the purview of the MTO, the ministry is taking a look at what potential impacts there may be at the intersection of Harmony Road and Highway 118.

McMahon said that when the building was operating as a gym, there was traffic in and out all the time, with classes taking place two or three times a week.

While residents disagreed the gym garnered that much traffic, Ken Stevens, who operated the business, said there had been 100 and 150 members, who used the gym on a regular basis.

"Nobody noticed, or thought we had many members," Stevens noted.

Residents said they were concerned not just about traffic on Sunday mornings, but other days of the week for activities such as Bible study, summer camps and fundraising activities.

Lighthouse pastor Doug Ross, who would live in the residential part of the building with his wife, told residents the church does not engage in fundraising activities, but relies solely on tithes and donations from its members to operate.

"This church has been in this town for 68 years," Ross said. "We've never had a fundraising event. It's against our belief."

While there were also concerns about school bus turn-arounds, "we don't have any programs where we run school buses," Ross said.

There is room on the property to create a bus-turning area, should it be required in the future.

Residents also expressed concern about the growth of the church, which has a congregation of approximately 50 people.

"Once we hit 100 people, we'll get out of that property, we'll go somewhere else," said Ross, who implored the residents to give the church a chance.

"Give us a chance to prove ourselves," he said. "We're not going to hurt your neighbourhood."

There is also an apartment located within the building. If it is determined that the apartment is legal – meets building code standards – it's the church's intention to rent it out to help with income.

If it turns out that it's not, it will not be rented, Ross said. "We will abide by the laws and bylaws," he said.

Martin pointed out that within the R1 zone, any of the homes on Harmony Road can have basement apartments, and any of them could be used to start a church.

The committee, which will ultimately make a recommendation to Dysart et al council on the matter, deferred the issue to a June 5 public meeting, as it awaits feedback from the MTO.



Hospital supporters open their purses

Top left, Jane Jaycock calls out a winner in the loonie auction assisted by Debra Dart, left, following tea and lunch at the fourth annual Geranium Tea Sunday, May 7, at the curling club in Haliburton. Almost 100 people attended the event, which is one of the signature fundraisers of the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary. There was plenty of laughter in between sips of tea and nibbles of tarts and squares as attendees chatted with one another and spent their money on various raffles and prizes throughout the afternoon.

JENN WATT Staff



Lynn Bartlett holds up the bracelet she won during a special raffle. Ticket winners were allowed to choose stained glass butterfly centrepieces made by Jane Jaycock. One of the centrepieces had the bracelet inside (the others had chocolates). Bartlett chose the winning jar.



Above, Kim Stamp laughs after accepting her door prize.

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Community support amazes boy's family

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

People of all ages and walks of life put their best superhero foot forward a few weeks ago to show six-year-old Rowan Pettinella he is not alone as he recovers from serious health complications experienced a month ago.

The lover of comic superheroes was at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto for seizures when a classmate and friend named Neil Mihlik came up with the idea to encourage the public to don capes. When you're wearing a cape, you can fight anything, Neil believed.

On April 11 and 12, people from the Highlands and around the world wore capes in photos posted to social media tagged with #seizurefuck. There was a steady stream of photos of children, adults, and groups of students, road workers, teachers and administration.

With his mothers Karen Pettinella and Jane Isbister by his side, the support for the Stuart Baker Elementary School student continues with not just thousands of dollars donated through a GoFundMe page, but an outpouring of generosity from food and clothing to messages of support.

His parents are overwhelmed by this support.

According to the GoFundMe page set up for Rowan, he experienced prolonged and sustained seizure episodes on Saturday, April 1.

As a result, he was taken to Haliburton Hospital and subsequently to the Hospital for Sick Children. He spent three weeks in critical care where a "diverse

team of medical specialists" struggled to diagnose and treat the seizure episodes.

The seizure activity has left Rowan with permanent brain damage because of the lack of oxygen.

He is now on the general paediatrics floor. Although he is not in critical care, there is a lot of uncertainty for Rowan's future. He has a long road ahead that includes upcoming months of assessment and recovery.

Friend of the family and local resident Angela Andrews started the GoFundMe initiative a few weeks ago on behalf of Isbister. It was started to help the family cover accommodations, food and parking and other expenses associated with staying in the city.

More than \$10,000 was raised in one day.

Isbister appreciated how the public donated through GoFundMe and the widespread participation of people wearing capes.

"I am so humbled and overwhelmed by your support, action, and comments for and about Rowan. Your quick response and generosity, in a period of time that I'd just as soon forget, will stay with me forever. Every day I talk to Rowan and tell him that he's getting the help he needs, that it is hard, and that he is not alone ... I whisper the last part to him repeatedly ... Thank you for sending us the same message," she wrote on Facebook on May 3.

She is also thankful for the support from people outside of GoFundMe, whether in the form of food, clothes, calls or checking on their homes.

"We feel really lucky and humbled," she wrote.

Since April 24, the GoFundMe page has



Six-year-old Rowan Pettinella is facing months of assessment and recovery after he suffered seizures that required treatment at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto on Saturday, April 1. His parents are thankful for the support they received during this difficult time. Submitted by Sergio Pettinella

raised \$18,350 from 189 people (as of Friday, May 5).

Andrews posted on Thursday, May 4 that "in some way you've all helped, either by taking the time to read the message and donate, or just passing it along."

"We've all been so overwhelmed with the response. Even though we've now reached the intended goal, we hope to still continue to pass the message along and raise as much money as we can for Karen, Jane and Rowan. It will be a long road

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We've all been so overwhelmed with the response.

— Angela Andrews
on the success of fundraising

ahead yet ... Thank you again for caring enough about our dear friends."

Rowan has faced adversity ever since he was born from life-threatening medical complications, followed by developmental delays and complications such as a seizure disorder and issues with his heart, hearing, vision and his mobility.

Doctors have been bewildered by his ongoing challenges since birth.

Late last week, Pettinella expressed gratitude for the concern and support in a text message to the *Echo*.

"I feel positively overwhelmed by the ripple effect of love and generosity that we have received. Family, friends and even strangers from near and far have supported us with their thoughts and actions ... it's truly powerful.

"That, as well as the more recent moments of Rowan smiles and giggles that we have seen, have been carrying us through this journey ... one moment at a time," Pettinella wrote.

You can find the GoFundMe page at www.gofundme.com/rowanpettinella.

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Young local filmmaker wins at Georgian Bay festival

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

A local teenager has earned a first place award at a recent film festival for his horror short, *Unaware*, set entirely in the village of Haliburton.

Rowan Tofflemire, a Grade 12 student with a passion for the horror movie genre, won the first place award and \$150 cash prize at the South Georgian Bay 2017 Film Festival. It was welcome recognition for Rowan.

"It felt really good. It was a nice feeling," he said.

The award can be added to his professional resume, which he hopes will help with a career in film.

Close to four minutes long, his film has plenty of local flavour including the cast, crew and setting.

It was co-written with friend Seamus Lynch and has a cast of other local teens such as Cassidy Glecoff, Robbie Hall, Julian Anderson, younger brother Gage and Seamus. The story is about a girl leaving work late at night, immersed in her music when she is surprised and confronted by a masked man in the village of Haliburton early in the morning. The writing took three weeks while he worked at Sticks and Stones Media. The shooting and editing took more than 10 hours. An interesting part of the filming, he said, was how a noisy McKecks Bar and Grill required him to become a Foley artist – creating and recording noises related to movements and actions, which is executed after the initial shooting.

"I couldn't use any of the audio for it because McKecks was way too loud with people there. I had to record the audio of her putting the coat on and putting the chair [up on the table] all in my house and line it up, which I thought was cool," he said.

It wasn't intended, but he recognizes the irony of how his film (available at the YouTube channel RX2 Productions) shot with a DSLR camera and a mike contradicts the common perception of the Highlands being a quiet, safe place.

"I was just thinking I wanted to really build suspense with the fact that this girl is walking and can't hear what's happening around her," he said.

This isn't his first award he has won for film.

Back in 2014, at the *There's Something in the Water* documentary premiere event in Haliburton, Rowan won the People's Choice award. Winning the South Georgian award meant a lot to Rowan because the field of entrants included filmmakers from all over the world, who entered their work online through the website FilmFreeway.

James Wan is his favourite director, known for the movies *The Conjuring* (his favourite) and *Saw*.

"He's so good at building suspense and then ending [the film] with a good scare. Just keeping you on edge the whole film. My favourite horror movie is *The Conjuring*," he said.

He loves the horror genre for how it leaves people feeling.

"The way your heart races and the way someone would feel while watching a horror movie ... it's a negative feeling, but really it's good because you don't have that in real life. Most people don't really feel fear for most things and when you do it's a new kind of excitement. It's like a roller coaster," he said.

Rowan started making films at 10 years old. Even though those first attempts were basic, he has come a long way to his current work that possesses greater production values and more refined lighting.

There are many people who have influenced and helped him get to this point, he said, naming Tammy Rea, a former employer and mentor and current mentor Pasi Posti of Positive Media, where he has a co-op placement. However, it was his father, Tim Tofflemire, who started it all.

"He's the one that won that digital camera when I was like seven. I guess that's the reason I've had cameras all my life and the lens I used to film [*Unaware*] my dad gave to me because he has a bunch of old Canon lenses," he said.

Tofflemire is a local freelance photographer, who has shot weddings, commercial work and editorial for *The Minden Times* and *Haliburton County Echo*.

Currently, Rowan is busy working on a video for the upcoming Red Hawks annual athletic banquet.

He is also working on a script he wants to use for a coming-of-age film he hopes to enter into the Toronto International Film Festival this year.

Although he intends to take this coming year off to work and build his portfolio, he plans to apply to Humber College and Canadore College for film production. He would like to work with a Toronto film union and hopes to work his way up through the ranks.

Haliburton is well-known for its beauty. However for Rowan he sees another side, which inspires.

"When I was trying to write for this short film I just drove around and went to the most isolated places in Haliburton. I did. I just sat in the woods, thinking of ideas. It's so quiet," he said.



Haliburton's Rowan Tofflemire won first place for his short horror movie *Unaware* at the South Georgian Bay 2017 Film Festival. The 17-year-old aspiring filmmaker loves the horror genre for how it makes him feel, likening it to riding a roller coaster. See his current work at the YouTube channel RX2 Productions. /DARREN LUM Staff



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WE RELY ON NEWS reports and updates on social media to know what's happening when we can't see it for ourselves. But the lure of paying witness to crisis drew concerned and curious people out into the cold rain in downtown Minden on the weekend to see the flooding with their own eyes – so much so that town officials urged people to avoid driving down roads covered in water, and to leave room for emergency relief workers to move freely.

With each passing day, the water spilled from the river into Peck Street and the road closure sign steadily moved back to make room for the rising flood. It reached the point where it took one's breath away. How quickly it happened, how terrible it was. Cars pulled in and drivers stepped onto the road to take a picture, or comment on the power of Mother Nature.

Sentiment from onlookers was consistent. People felt helpless as water began to pool into ponds, and flow over the wall of sandbags that were no match for the mighty Gull when it could no longer contain itself.

But alongside those documenting the event to raise awareness of Minden's recurring tragedy was another group of people – the volunteers.

They came out in full force and balanced the despair with busy hands, putting aside any plans they might have had for the weekend to work alongside equally bustling town officials and emergency personnel.

When tragedy occurs, a quote from Mr. Rogers, known for his ability to gently soothe the fears of children during times of adversity,

is often repeated.

"My mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping,'" he said. "To this day, especially in times of disaster, I remember my mother's words, and I am always comforted by realizing that there are still so many helpers – so many caring people in this world."

Soon, touching stories filled the air and mingled with the heart-wrenching photos. Gideon and Isaac Borgdorff worked alongside their dad to "help people not get water in their homes." Micheon Hutchings saw events unfold online, and left her son with her husband to donate time and use of her truck because she said, "the town needs help and I have to help. God says we have to help people." Abby Xerri said he was taken aback by a sudden group of 20 people who helped place sandbags around the old Keaney building, the new spot of his business, Quantum PassivHaus. "It was a blessed moment," he said. Cottagers stopped on their way home to do their part. People delivered food and hot drinks to volunteers in the adverse weather. Houses and hotel rooms were quickly offered to anyone leaving their homes. Jeep drivers from out of town parked in a row and spent time filling sandbags. One woman handed out Tim Hortons gift cards to volunteers.

As the water increased, so too did the number of people willing to come together to help in any way they could.

With three water events and two declarations of a state of emergency in five years, it's evident that something needs to change for the residents of Minden.

But the people – the helpers – they must be encouraged and supported to stay the same. It's what helps us all get through the rough waters of life.



Spring reflections

by Darren Lum

Cozy in the rain

REALLY IT WASN'T that big a deal, she told herself. A little rain, well more than a little, but still it was only weather. Her best friend was here for a visit and Sylvia was at a loss as to how to entertain her fussy friend. At the moment Carol was snoring pleasantly in the guest room while Sylvia sat at her kitchen table and tried to plan their Saturday together.

When they had spoken to arrange for Carol's visit, a brilliant spring sun had gleamed on the pond outside Sylvia's back door. Newly returned birds had set up a chorus of song which Sylvia heard almost as clearly as Carol's excited voice over the telephone. Carol said she was looking forward to leaving the sad, drab city for a weekend surrounded by sparkling lakes, budding trees and bright forest trails.

But as the much-anticipated weekend approached, the weather took a turn for the worse. A cold wind whipped the greening landscape into a frenzy, flattening daffodils and sending Sylvia's bird feeder tumbling to the ground. Then the rain began, bouncing off her deck like pebbles tossed from above.

But Carol was determined to come for her visit. When she had arrived the night before, she had been soaked through by the time she reached Sylvia's front door. Her vehicle looked as though it had been through a car wash and the muddy walkway leading to Sylvia's steps had threatened to suck the shoes right off her friend's feet.

Not to worry, Carol had reassured Sylvia. It was just wonderful to get out of the city for a few days. But Sylvia wondered how she was going to keep her somewhat hyper-active, easily bored urbanite friend amused when they couldn't be outdoors?

Sipping her morning coffee while her friend continued to saw logs upstairs, Sylvia turned a page in the newspaper and saw there was to be a spring tea and craft sale at the community centre that day.

She wondered if it might help pass the time with Carol so she circled the notice just as she heard the snoring stop

followed by slippered feet on the stairs.

A few hours later the two women found themselves in a huge room crammed with people and overflowing tables. There were quilts, knitted baby clothes, garden ornaments, wooden bowls and homemade preserves. Leather jewelry, nature photographs and still-warm pies tempted them even while they tried to decide which way to turn next.

The array of goods was surprisingly diverse. Carol's eyes lit up as she spied a knitted tea cozy. She told Sylvia she

had been trying to find one for ages and bought a new teapot to go with it.

They sat at one of the card tables that had been set with a plastic table cloth and spray of pink tulips. Nibbling on neatly trimmed sandwiches they tried to catch their breath. Carol said she never realized coming to such an event was like running a mara-

thon. A person had to move quickly if she didn't want to miss out on the best deals. Sometimes the competition could be fearsome, she noted. And then she laughed, saying she hadn't had so much fun in a long time.

Sylvia smiled at her friend's enthusiasm even while noting the lights had flickered once and the wind had picked up and was now tossing debris against the centre's windows. Carol however, seemed oblivious to anything but the activity that surrounded them.

That night they tried out Carol's new teapot and cozy. The water had come to a boil on Sylvia's woodstove since the hydro had gone off in the storm. As they sat in the living room, sipping Earl Grey and watching the shadows dance around the coal oil lamps, Sylvia breathed a sigh of relief that the day had turned out to be such a success.

Tomorrow was supposed to clear and they were planning to walk along the rail trail. Carol was resigned to the fact there would be no craft sales that day.

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points of view

Delusions of grandeur

I COULD BE WRONG, but I have a strong suspicion that the Great Pyramid of Giza got its start as a small home improvement project.

This thought occurred to me the other day shortly after Jenn suggested that “we” need to do a little work around the front yard this year to make it look more presentable from the street.

“How are we going to do that?” I asked.

“Simple. You’re just going to keep a promise. Do you remember what you promised me last year?”

“You mean that I would never wear socks and sandals again?” I said.

“I mean the other promise,” she said.

“That I won’t ever try to get another selfie with a skunk? Because, to be honest, I don’t think we shook on that one.”

“We actually did shake on it, but that’s not the promise I’m referring to either,” she said.

“Oh, that I will never wear pajamas in public? Is that it?”

“No,” she said, “but let’s add that to the list.”

With that dream soundly quashed, I decided to quit while I was ahead.

“I give up. What did I promise you?” I asked.

She then broke the bad news.

Apparently, I had promised to create a bin where we would, forever more, keep our garbage cans safe from raccoon marauders.

“I promised you a garbage bin? Was I drinking?” I asked.

“You don’t drink,” she said.

“Can I start?” I replied.

“No,” she answered.

To be very clear, I have nothing against the idea of creating a slightly, safe place where we can keep our prized garbage cans.

But the truth of the matter is, I do not wield my power tools for just any project – for with great power

comes great responsibility. No, my power tools are to me, much like Zeus’s legendary bucket of thunderbolts were to him – basically, something that you do not want to take a bath with.

Unlike those thunderbolts, however, my power tools are not just brought out for fun. In fact, they only appear in my hands during times of great trouble – and I said as much to Jenn.

“The raccoons hit our garbage cans again last night,” she said.

“Oh great!” I replied.

And so it was that I began designing a garbage bin that would not just serve as a refuge for refuse. No, the bin I had in mind was to be a monument that might qualify as one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World – once those archaeologists finally gave up looking for the Hanging Gardens of Babylon.

After looking at my preliminary drawings, however, Jenn deemed the concept a bit too grandiose.

Of course that was ridiculous. There was nothing at all grandiose about the Trash-ma Hall.

Despite my protests, Jenn summarily vetoed the raccoon-proof moat and fountains, the entire second floor and then cut the square footage of the Stephen R. Galea Recycling Centre down to eight.

“Why bother owning power tools at all?” I said.

“Steve,” she said, “This doesn’t have to be fancy. It is just a bin where we can hide our garbage cans from the raccoons. It doesn’t need flood lights, reserved parking spaces and a gift shop.”

“Can we keep the marble floor in the lobby?” I asked.

“No,” she answered.

Grudgingly, and right after I sharpened my last crayon, I revised the drawings.

Now, sadly, the Stephen R. Galea Garbage Bin is slightly less opulent.

If the new plans get by council it will be a plywood and pressure-treated fence board structure with a hinged and shingled roof that will hold our two garbage cans and recycling containers as well as a few buckets of sand and some shovels. There will be no public wi-fi either.

Jenn says it is because we need to be a little more frugal in these harsh economic times. Maybe so, but that does not bode well for the shed that’s next on the list.

I bet she’ll nix the bowling alley...



steve
galea

Loon Tales

pic of the past



This photo was taken of Prince the horse at John Morrison's farm on Dawson Road, Maple Lake, after raking hay. Perry Morrison is on the horse, Dennis McFadden, left, and sister Sandra Morrison. Submitted by Perry Morrison

letters to the editor

Give kids a chance, stop littering

To the Editor,

It is not nice to litter. My problem is that I see garbage from my home to my school and back every day and that is sad. Because the Earth as a whole is a living thing just like us, the tiniest bit of garbage you litter will hurt it. If we keep littering, the Earth will be sick and die and we will too. To me, this is not fair. If the Earth dies you people who littered did not give little kids like me a chance at a healthy life. I know I am just a kid but I know enough not to litter. So please don't litter.

Leland Kainellos (8 years old)
Tory Hill

Fuel for Warmth doubles fuel 'gifts'

Fuel for Warmth, a registered charitable organization, serving all areas of the Haliburton Highlands, reports that the winter of 2016/17 was a period of high demand for its services.

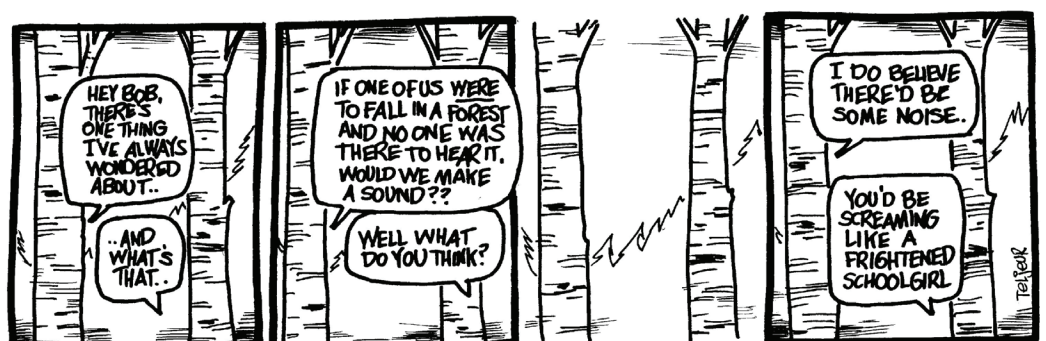
Fuel for Warmth has been in service to the highlands for nine years. Joanne Barnes originated this service in our region and with the support of dedicated volunteers, the charity has led the way for others to provide similar programs.

The primary demand for assistance this winter was for fuel oil. Fifty-nine per cent asked for help with their fuel oil costs and 31 per cent requested firewood support. There were smaller amounts for propane at six per cent and wood pellets at four per cent. Fuel for Warmth also referred 13 families to the Low Income Energy Assistance Program for Hydro expenses.

Key to the efforts of Fuel for Warmth this year

see WINTER page 8

BOONiEVILLE



Winter extremely busy

from page 7

was the very successful fundraising from the 2016 Highlands Christmas Shindig and funds from the Canoe FM radio bingo. These, plus the generous support of donors throughout the Highlands enabled Fuel for Warmth to double the amount of the fuel "gifts" to clients. This was extremely important when you consider that many residences require \$100 or more, per week, to heat in the winter.

We continue to employ a fiduciary process that examines all requests through local suppliers and then, on confirmation of the need, make payments on our client's behalf. We can report that in virtually all instances the requests are valid and very necessary. As a charitable organization we take our responsibility to our donors and our clients very seriously.

This year Fuel for Warmth reported that 66 per cent of the requests came from Minden Hills, 16 per cent from Kimmount, 12 per cent from Dysart et al, four per cent from Algonquin Highlands and two per cent from Highlands East. Adults represented the largest proportion of people helped, at 53 per cent. The organization reported 22 per cent were children and a further 25 per cent were seniors in our county.

Thanks to the generosity of the Scotty Morrison family and the Marty Udvari family, Fuel for Warmth purchased a professional grade wood splitter which the volunteers used to good effect. The process of receiving wood contributions (logs), cutting and splitting is an ongoing part of the volunteer efforts of the organization. This ensures that, come the colder season, there is a good supply of dry wood available for those in need.

It is a fact of life that costs for families and individuals continue to climb in our county. The cost of accommodation, taxes, food, clothing and other necessities put significant pressure on those with fixed incomes or who are the working poor. In the highlands, many of

those employed are holding down more than one job to try and make ends meet but unfortunately funds run out before the end of the month. And that is even more pronounced in the winter season. Fuel for Warmth is able to step in and support them during the most devastating season of the year when tourism and outside employment is at a seasonal low. As Isabella Daley said in an article in the OnPolicy report (2016) "Being working poor is thinking \$12 an hour is a great job." As we all know, that doesn't take you very far.

We know how dire the need is when we consider the demand on our food banks and our school food programs. The good work that local organizations do in these areas is a close companion to the efforts of Fuel for Warmth. It is our intention to continue to close the gap, keep adults and children warm, while they deal with all their other challenges.

The response back from our clients is heartwarming and at the same time heartbreaking. The calls and notes of appreciation are the fuel for our volunteers. When it's appropriate, we are able to make contact with other services in order to try and assist them in other areas of their lives.

2016/17 was an extremely busy period. We track our requests by households, while noting those in the residence being served. Yes, the number of individuals is in the hundreds, but of greater significance is the fact that the number of households requesting help has not diminished. What are the final numbers? Well, we won't know that for a short while yet. We are still filling requests as the season continues to bring cold, damp days.

We thank everyone in the Haliburton Highlands who supported Fuel for Warmth with donations, both in cash or gifts-in-kind. We also recognize the many volunteers who made it possible for us to "save the day" for our clients. As always, the generosity and compassion of those who live here is a source of inspiration for us all.

Submitted by Fuel for Warmth

Take better care of Mother Nature's 'hood'

To the Editor,

As one member of a group of people who spent several very wet but worthwhile hours, on Saturday morning May 6, participating in KLCOA's clean-up of a stretch of Kennisis Lake Road, I'm thinking it's time to stop chucking this kind of rubbish to the roadsides of beautiful Haliburton County!

Along with some larger debris, over 30

bags of rubbish, composed of butts, beer and pop cans, plastic and paper were taken to the dump! We have to take better care of Mother Nature's "hood"!

Christine Gilmour
Kennisis Lake

Feds should pay flooding costs

To the Editor,

It would seem Parks Canada did not learn from their flood disaster in 2013. Once again they prematurely filled up the large lakes at the top of the system. By mid April they had them all at *full* capacity leaving no room for possible and probable spring rains.

One only has to look at any lakes not con-

nected to the Trent system and see there is no flooding problem on them. This system has no business being the jurisdiction of the federal government. All cost should be sent to federal government for this negligent operation.

G. McCluskey

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A lasting gift for Mom

Garden



Belinda Gallagher

Musings

I was grocery shopping the other day and spied some lovely burgundy hen and chickens in a tray next to the cut flowers.

It started me thinking about upcoming

Mother's Day and what to choose as an "I love you, Mom" token.

The traditional gift list of flowers, chocolates and breakfast-in-bed has been expanded to include fancy jewelry, spa dates and yoga memberships. Many places offer the all-inclusive family brunch, complete with a corsage for Mother. A nice shrub or perennial plant is also a lovely lasting reminder of affection.

Take for example, the hen and chickens. Aside from the obvious reference to mothers and babies, this succulent plant lasts for years in the garden. The word succulent comes from the Latin *succulentus* meaning juice and if you have ever broken a leaf or stem of a succulent plant you know why this is an apt definition. The frugal water retention of these plants is the characteristic that makes them so popular with gardeners. Hen and chickens, botanically *Sempervivum* species (meaning live-forever) prefer hot, sunny sites and are quite happy in the local rock and gravel. They multiply by offset plants that can easily be separated from the "mother" and set to root in a new location.

Deer-resistant bleeding heart (*Dicentra spectabilis*) is another fine choice for a Mother's Day gift. My mother and grandmother were both fond of this reliable perennial that is hardy to Zone 3, and grew well in the southern U.S. and the desert of the west. The plant produces large, three-foot mounds of crisp blue-green foliage followed in the late spring by arching stems of pink, drooping hearts.

This woodland lover has been hybridized to produce several cultivars, my favourite of which is the golden foliage version, "Gold Heart." Its hot pink hearts really stand out against the lighter chartreuse leaves and would surely impress any mom.



Bleeding heart is a reliable perennial perfect for Haliburton's cooler climate.

When we lived in England, a popular plant for Mother's Day was the primula or primrose. There were hundreds on display in pretty little multi-colour pots at every garden centre, grocer and corner store. I was quite surprised to find that many of the species survive and thrive here in the well-drained soil, particularly considering they are usually known as bog plants.

Two that do well in shade to part shade are *Primula frondosa* and *Primula veris*. *Primula veris* is the common cowslip and can't be beat for reliability. The other one, a little harder to find, is just a beauty with leaves that come out of the ground the colour of the inside of a chocolate mint patty. Follow that with dainty purple/pink bloom and you have a winner in the garden. Neither plant exceeds eight inches and they get along great with smaller hostas. Personally, I think a small basket of mixed primroses would be a charming gift for any occasion.

When speaking with Kim at the Country Rose in Haliburton the other day, she mentioned that they have some winter hardy rhododendrons in stock. I haven't

always been a fan of rhododendrons and their cousins, the azaleas, but that was because I didn't have the acidic soil that they like. But we are very lucky here in Haliburton to have the right conditions.

Rhododendrons in the wild like a nice blanket of leaves or needles over their roots. That woodland mulch breaks down



Hen and chickens retain water and love heat. They also look cute in the garden.

into the organic, acidic soil that is preferred by these long-lived shrubs. Flowering time is not too long after Mom's special day so the pink, rose, white or lavender blooms will be a perennial reminder of your affection.

Finally, if the gift is for a "cottage mother" why don't you consider a native, shoreline shrub? That way you can honour Mom and the environment. I can highly recommend *Myrica gale*, commonly called bog myrtle or sweet gale. This shrub likes wet feet and prefers the damp soil at the lakeside or in wetlands. The aromatic leaves can be used dried to perfume linen; catkins or cones, boiled in water, give a scum beeswax, used to make candles; bark, if gathered in the fall, will dye wool a nice yellow colour and scientists are now testing the plant for insect repelling properties.

Wouldn't that be the perfect, lasting gift? Happy Mother's Day!



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Rod Consack is leaving Emmerson Lumber after 36 years of working at the local building supply company. Consack is heading to Arnprior. JENN WATT Staff

Foreman moving on after 36 years with Emmerson Lumber

JENN WATT

Editor

This time next week, Rod Consack will no longer be donning his bright orange work shirt. He won't be scheduling trucks or organizing workers at Emmerson Lumber. As of Thursday, May 12, after 36 years of continuous employment with the local building supplies company, Consack will be bidding adieu to both his job and Haliburton, heading for something new.

"He's been here more than half the [60 year] length of the company," says owner Kim Emmerson. "He has been a steadfast employee, dependable for 36 years."

Twenty-six of those years Consack has been foreman, responsible for much of the organization of yard. He is Emmerson's longest serving employee.

It's not always easy to find full-time work in the Highlands' seasonal economy, so he was happy to land a job at the store.

Consack said he decided to leave his hometown to go to Arnprior with his wife Molly. It's where his daughter and her family lives.

"I'm excited to be trying something new," he says, seated at a picnic table during a warm spring day at work. "But I'll be leaving behind people. ... The people I work with are like family."

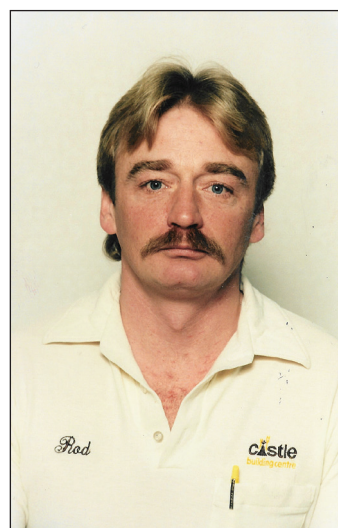
Consack has lived in Haliburton his whole life and has been active not only at

Emmerson's, but through his volunteerism with the fire department, police support association, hockey, baseball, cub scouts – the kinds of activities parents take on as they raise their kids.

Consack has two grown children, Becky and Jon; three grandkids and two step-grandkids.

He said his new chapter in Arnprior isn't entirely figured out yet, but "I'd like to try something different."

While Consack's last day is Thursday, he says he'll be back to flip burgers at Emmerson's barbecue at the store on May 20, celebrating six decades in business.



Rod Consack in earlier days working at Emmerson Lumber.

Serving up success

JERELYN CRADEN

Special to the Echo

Cook it well and they will come. Serve it well and they will stay. Create a unique menu every time and they will come again. Over nine consecutive Mondays, 450 customers packed Baked & Battered in Haliburton for SIRCH Community Services' popular Cook it Up program – lunches planned, prepared, cooked, and served by nine trainees who graduated season three on May 2 with confidence, experience, skills and invaluable food service certificates.

Diane McKnight, food initiatives coordinator for SIRCH, is grateful to be a part of it, and to the City of Kawartha Lakes for funding, and Baked & Battered owners, Craig Gordon and Colby Marcellus, for donating the use of their restaurant. "We couldn't do it without them. Every graduate from seasons one and two are employed, and some of our new graduates already have jobs."

Adam Burbidge, 26, was employed by McKecks before season two ended. "Chef Aaron Walker came in to talk to us about employment opportunities at McKecks. I approached him after class and he invited me to bring in a resume. I decided to pursue an apprenticeship and ... I've been working there for a little over a year. I love it, especially in the summer when it's busy and hectic. It makes an 11 hour shift feel like half an hour."

Katie Peddie, 28, a licensed carpenter, loves the program. "Nobody up here [in Haliburton] wanted to give a 110-pound woman carpentry work. The program gave me a new career. I love everything about it – the people, the friendliness and the training. And, now

I have my Smart Serve and Safe Food Handling certificates which had everything to do with my being hired by the Mill Pond [in Carnarvon] as third chef. I love being in the kitchen and I look forward to going to work every morning."

Brenda Coty, instructor in "front of house" and customer service, said: "There are certain rules for serving properly and guidelines on how to speak with customers – which topics of conversation are best, how long to talk, and how to be professional. Just taking this course is success in itself."

Trainee Sonya Paterson, 59, thinks the world of Coty and McKnight. "I used to be nervous in stressful situations and they taught me how to remain calm and have fun when stressful things come up."

Previously a landscaper, Paterson found that it was becoming too difficult. In October 2016, she started doing "food prep" at Kosy Korner (in Haliburton) and is still working there. "I took the program because I knew I would be more of a benefit to any employer in the hospitality business. I've learned so much."

Nineteen-year-old Robert Nicholls always wanted to be a prep cook.

"My father was a professional cook and baker, and I learned knife skills and basic prep work from him. The CIU [Cook It Up] program has improved my knife skills and boosted my confidence. My conversational skills are stronger, and I've even gotten compliments on my serving skills." On graduation day, Gena Robertson, executive director, SIRCH, received thanks from the new graduates, Katie Peddie, Stephanie Pethick, Jossie Yeoman, Sonya Paterson, Elisa Garcia, Robert Nicholls, Leslie Ellis, Corinne Bailey and Brent Maxwell.



The graduating class of Cook It Up. In front row, Diane McKnight, Gena Robertson and Brenda Coty. JERELYN CRADEN Special to the Echo

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New faces greet students at Stuart Baker

SUE TIFFIN

Staff reporter

Students were welcomed by a new principal and secretary at Stuart Baker this week.

Karyn Linton Marra replaced Peggy Barrette as principal and Penny Manol replaced Alison Rae as head secretary, after Barrette and Rae retired last week.

"It's absolutely amazing," said Manol on May 4. "This is only my fourth day here and I'm loving it."

Manol came to SBES from the Trillium Lakelands District School Board, where she worked in administration in the specialized services department. Prior to that, she was a secretary at Central Senior Public School in Lindsay.

Manol is a resident of Ingoldsby, living in a cottage formerly owned by her husband's grandparents, Bob and Florence Kidd.

"It's been around a long time," she said.

Linton Marra was a principal at West Lynde Public School in Whitby, and has nine years of administrative experience within the Durham region.

"We have a cottage up here," she said. "I just love the Highlands, love the outdoors, love nature and always wanted to work outside of the city."

Linton Marra said she has been impressed with what she has seen so far in school programming, especially the full-day kindergarten program.

"I really am so excited to be here, and I'm loving every minute of it," she said. "The kids are fabulous and have just greeted me with open arms."

Flexing your mind's muscles

JENN WATT

Editor

Keeping the mind healthy is just as important as the rest of the body, says Alzheimer Society public education co-ordinator Carolyn Hemminger, and there are tangible things that can be done to improve memory and stay sharp.

"We often hear about looking after our body, but not about our brain," says Hemminger, who is one of two speakers at an upcoming talk in Minden and Haliburton called Health Brains: How to Keep on Top of Your Mental Game.

"We look at four different areas: a healthy lifestyle, challenging our brain, being socially active and how to protect our head," she says.

Healthy food choices and reducing stress can do a lot for the performance of your brain, she said, as can making time for friends and family.

"When people become less social, it leads to isolation and can lead to health issues and depression," she says.

Hemminger has been working at the Alzheimer Society of City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton since 2009 and spends a good deal of her working days raising awareness about dementia, teaching best behaviours for a healthy brain and talking with those living with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers.

She says these kinds of talks are fun to do because they are proactive and encourage people to take a leading role in the health of their minds.

The talk is for all ages, but Hemminger says it may be of particular interest to those who have retired or are approaching retirement.

In the process of retirement, new ways of stimulating the mind often need to be found to replace the social and intellectual role work plays.

Naturopathic doctor Bryan Knappett of Red Canoe Family Naturopathic will also be speaking at the event, which is being organized by the Haliburton County Service Providers Network as one its Need to Know Series sessions.

Admission to the talk is free and there are two chances to hear Hemminger and Knappett on Wednesday, May 17. You can catch them in Haliburton at 10:30 a.m. at the Haliburton Museum or in Minden's Hyland Crest auditorium at 2:30 p.m.

RSVP to Community Support Services 705-457-2941.

There will be refreshments provided.

Studio Tour needs money for signs

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the May 3 meeting of Highlands East council.

Jan Simon, Highlands East Studio Tour chair, requested an additional \$1,000 to help run the program, which is in its 15th year. Simon said the committee had successfully reduced some duplicated spending in their marketing efforts, but required funds for new signs.

"The signage has been out there coming on 15 years now," said Simon. "It's tired, it's broken. We've been patching it with tape."

The studio tour has grown, with nine studios and approximately 15 artists committed to the 2017 program. Last year, six studios and nine artists participated.

The Studio Tour is currently working with a \$2,000 budget. Council approved Simon's request.

Tech time teaches electronic tools

People interested in learning more about technology are invited to Tech Time, a once-a-month program at the Wilberforce library branch. The drop-in program can

include discussion of technology trends, and also one-on-one time for people who aren't comfortable with their phones, tablets or computers and want to learn more about how to use them.

Bessie Sullivan, Haliburton County Public Library CEO, said support staff can help residents download books, or troubleshoot problems with technology, but noted there are "thousands of devices out there, and we're not miracle workers."

The next tech time will be held at 1 p.m. on May 11 at the Wilberforce library branch.

Septic maintenance and reinspection program underway

Post-secondary students Adam Bird and Robert Carter have been hired to work on the septic maintenance and re-inspection program running from May 1 to Aug. 25.

Letters and preliminary questionnaires have been sent to property owners who can expect a site inspection. Property owners in the Glamour and Billings lakes area will be first to participate.

"It is a pilot project, so we're all learning as we go along," said Laurie Devolin, chief building official. "It will ease us into the program to have friendly reception."

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Ken Gregory waits to talk to visitors at the I Made It show at Haliburton School of Art and Design in April. Gregory, an accomplished artist from Winnipeg, came to HSAD to learn the art of blacksmithing. JENN WATT Staff

Accomplished multimedia artist adds blacksmithing to repertoire

JENN WATT
Editor

Fire alarms, emptied of their bells, adorn an empty room. A computer programmed by Ken Gregory spins tiny brushes attached to little motors making the emptied metal shells ring.

The installation is described on Gregory's website, with audio you can play on demand. The sound is tinny and haunting.

As visitors arrive in the room, the website says, infrared sensors begin to alter the rhythm of the brushes and with it the sounds the fire alarms produce.

The art, with the assistance of a human programmer, responds to the human presence; it senses warm bodies and interacts with them.

The installation, called *12 Motor Bells*, was purchased by the National Gallery of Canada.

It's a career highlight, but also a clearly perplexing situation for Gregory, 57, who just completed an intensive blacksmithing course at Haliburton School of Art and Design.

While he has been a professional artist since 1986, Gregory did not come up through formal artistic training. He doesn't create work for commercial purposes and seems uninterested in the flashier parts of the art world.

That said, he's now in the National Gallery of Canada, his work preserved for posterity.

"They now treat it [*12 Motor Bells*] like any artwork in the gallery: white gloves, custom crates for shipment – the same treatment as a Rodin or Dali," says Gregory at the end-of-semester student art show and sale at HSAD.

"What they collect is for history."

While he's older than most of the students around him, the Winnipeg-based artist still fits in on a college campus.

A tattoo on his neck peeks out from under the collar of his button-down shirt.

He seems genuinely interested in the opportunities to

learn all around him.

"I can navigate a variety of communities, even though I'm not an academic," he says. "The focus is on me [because of the National Gallery piece], but there are thousands of others who deserve it too."

But having his work selected shines a light on the underground art community of which Gregory is a part.

He's standing across from a small display of his blacksmithing work at the I Made It! Show. Among this semester's creations is a small, metal table, serpentine legs pointing their sharp feet into the floor. There are more rustic wall hooks and at the end of his display, toilet paper holders mounted on rocks.

Without as much as a smirk, Gregory talks about the bathroom furniture in terms of their artistic value: fusing together materials, teaching him something new about blacksmithing.

The bulk of his work so far has been multimedia in nature, soundscapes and computer creations – things experiential and fleeting – but he decided he'd like to expand his oeuvre and come to HSAD.

The 15-week intensive allowed Gregory to focus on developing the skills of blacksmithing and included art history and drawing components.

"These things all feed me in an intellectual way," he says, "and an inspiring way."

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Halls Lake recipient of HHOA surplus

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Standing with several volunteers, under a cloudy sky on the shore of Halls Lake, the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) manager Randy Charter watched with pride as the boat with Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) representatives ferried out 1,000 Haliburton Gold lake trout to deeper water.

Charter helped lead volunteers, which were comprised of members of the HHOA and the Halls and Hawks Lakes Property Owners Association, in an out of the ordinary effort to help with restocking the lake on Thursday afternoon, May 4 at Elvin Johnson Park, located north of Carnarvon.

"We don't normally supply Halls [Lake] with fish because the MNR has a good sustainable population. For us to have a surplus one year and be able to bring back fish to them is awesome. It's giving back," he said.

He adds the HHOA has been the fortunate recipients of 26,000 fish eggs from the lake over the past two years through the MNRF fish stocking program.

Charter has been with the HHOA for close to three years and a manager for more than a year.

In the wild, the success rate – when a fish grows to six to eight inches long – is just one or two per 1,000 eggs. At the hatchery, this rate is close to 65 per cent at the hatchery, he adds.

"Using those numbers, Halls Lake just got back 20 years of natural reproduction," he said.



Volunteer Mary Tozer passes off a netload of fish to the MNRF to be released in cooler waters away from the shore of Halls Lake. Submitted by Natalie Tripp

Cranberry Cottage's Ruth Robinson sells business

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

June 28 is a special day for Ruth Robinson, owner of Cranberry Cottage.

It's the day she first opened the Haliburton store in 1996, and it's also the day this year that she's closing the doors of the shop for the last time.

"It's ironic, without even planning it," she said.

Earlier this year, Robinson sold the country-style boutique and gift shop to Jason and Denise Glecoff, who take ownership of it on June 29. "I like this kind of work, I really do," she said. "But there comes a time when you want to do other things."

Robinson co-owned Rachel's Bakery from 1989 to 1995, and opened Cranberry Cottage the year after the Highland Street bakery closed. It

was originally located in the building across from Emmerson Lumber. Later, Robinson opened a store in Bracebridge as well, and operated both stores in 2004 and 2005. The Haliburton store closed in 2005, but Robinson reopened it in 2009 after closing the Bracebridge shop. "I was driving back and forth," she said. "But things happen and times changed."

Robinson is looking forward to her first summer off in years, and in spending more time with her grandkids. Eventually, she'll look for more work to keep busy, but she'll miss her days spent in the store.

"My customers are my friends, you know. It's part of my social life, it truly is, so that's why I have to do something still," she said. "I can't just be at home. I can't imagine after all these years. I didn't ever not work."



After 21 years, Ruth Robinson is selling Cranberry Cottage on the same day she opened in 1996, June 28. Jason and Denise Glecoff bought the Highland Street shop in Haliburton. SUE TIFFIN Staff

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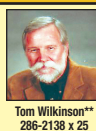
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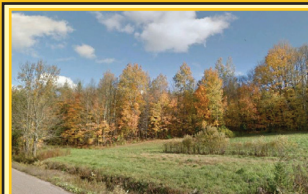


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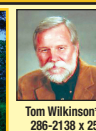


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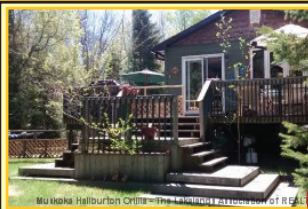


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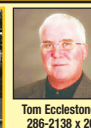


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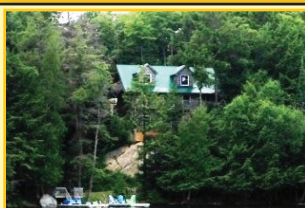
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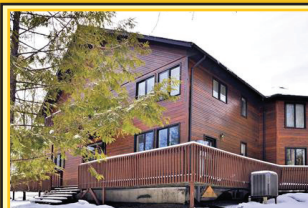
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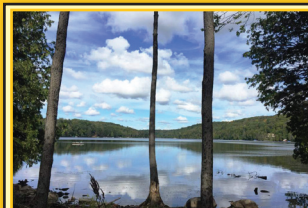
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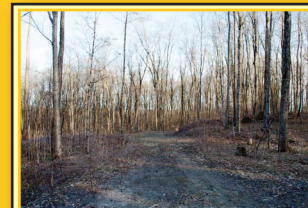


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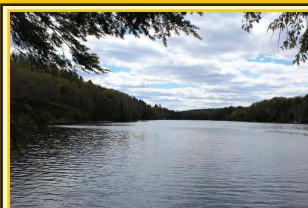


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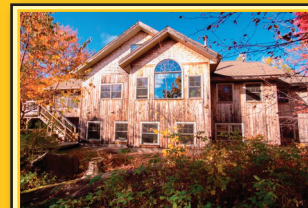


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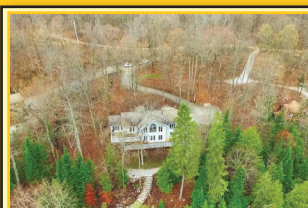


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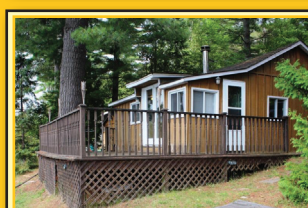


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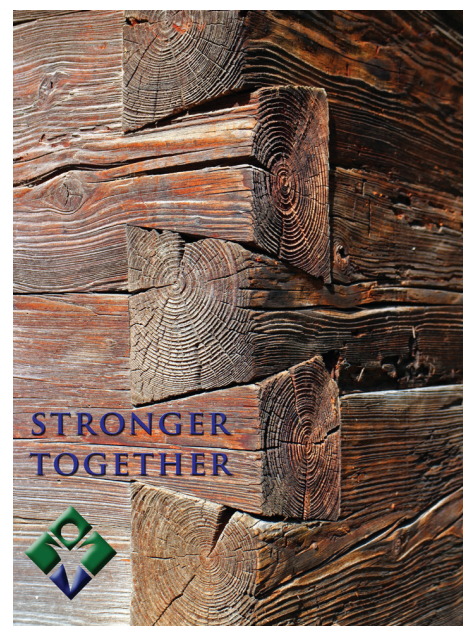
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Wilberforce students celebrate Arbour Day

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

"Trees give us oxygen."
"They take carbon dioxide out of the air."
"Animals live in them."
"They keep us alive."

Students at Wilberforce Elementary School responded quickly to questions about the benefit of trees posed by the Hydro One forestry team visiting their school on Arbour Day, May 2.

Hydro One teams annually visit more than 50 schools throughout the province during Arbour Week, as part of an initiative to teach kids about the importance of trees and vegetation management safety.

"It's great to get into the community to talk about safety, what we do, and help sway negative sentiment for Hydro One," said Rusty Cochrane, a Hydro One forestry technician who has been involved with the program for more than 20 years. "We're not just about cutting trees."

After an indoor presentation, students went outside to learn about the Hydro One bucket truck, and tools the utility arborists and forestry technicians use on the job.

"I think it's a very good educational opportunity for students," said Barb Davies, WES vice-principal. "It teaches them about the environment, and also the possibility of future jobs."

Despite rain, students helped Cochrane plant a red oak and sugar maple spruce in the front yard of the school property. This year, Cochrane was using biochar from Haliburton Forest during the planting, to help encourage growth in what he said had proven to be dry land in years past.

Students each went home with a seedling, courtesy of the Hydro One Arbour Day program, which donated 100 trees to the WES student body.



Hydro One forestry team members visited students at Wilberforce Elementary School on May 2 to teach about trees and vegetation management. The Hydro One program visits schools across the province during Arbour Week. /SUE TIFFIN Staff



Above, Ben Thomas, utility arborist, answers questions from students. Right, students watch as Rusty Cochrane, forestry technician for Hydro One, plants a tree at Wilberforce Elementary School for Arbour Day.



Show raises money for international aid

Above, four high school students performed Safe and Sound, a dance dedicated to Ryan Prentice, who is in the hospital, at the Tributes show on May 3. Left, Haliburton Dance Academy performers laugh with relief at the end of their jazz piece. Technical difficulties halted the music halfway through the performance, but the dancers kept going. They completed their performance to the music running in their own minds incredibly well and were rewarded with raucous audience applause. Money raised is going to One World Schoolhouse, a charity providing access to books in developing countries. JENN WATT Staff

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Protective crust
- 5. Federal poverty level
- 8. "NCIS" network
- 11. This many makes a trio
- 13. Geological time
- 14. Populous Colombian city
- 15. Interviewer Morgan
- 16. More (Spanish)
- 17. Not close
- 18. Confined
- 20. __ Farrow, actress
- 21. One point east of southeast
- 22. Kinetic and elastic are two
- 25. Taking possession of a property
- 30. Associate of same rank
- 31. Uganda
- 32. Heads the department
- 33. Assistants
- 38. I (German)
- 41. Small vessel
- 43. Home to Deadwood
- 45. Vetoed
- 47. Wings
- 49. Vestment
- 50. Heavy cavalry sword
- 55. Deer native to Japan
- 56. Spy agency
- 57. Was hurting
- 59. Famous New Yorker film critic
- 60. Liquefied natural gas
- 61. Jewish spiritual leader
- 62. Male offspring
- 63. Sense of self-esteem
- 64. Cheek

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Engine additive
- 2. Fashionable

3. Region

- 4. "Friday Night Lights" director Peter
- 5. __ fatale, French seductresses
- 6. A treeless grassy plain
- 7. Large flat rectangular strips of pasta
- 8. Eating houses
- 9. Divulge a secret
- 10. Beget
- 12. Midway between east and southeast
- 14. Container for shipping
- 19. Deceased basketballer Bison __
- 23. Neither
- 24. Large lizard
- 25. Licenses TV stations
- 26. Express delight
- 27. Refusal of medical assistance
- 28. Upon
- 29. Bright or deep red
- 34. A way to sign
- 35. Zhou Dynasty state
- 36. Shock therapy
- 37. Ocean
- 39. Basketlike boat
- 40. Irish sport
- 41. Doctor
- 42. Middle day
- 44. Autonomous island
- 45. Made of wood
- 46. Meat from a calf
- 47. Inquires
- 48. Chinese dynasty
- 51. Swiss river
- 52. Prejudice
- 53. "The Wire" actor Idris
- 54. Resistance fighters
- 58. Criticize

Answers on page 22.

Make the hot pepper pledge

The Heat Bank Haliburton County is asking for local gardeners' help. Each year, as a fundraiser, they cook up about 100 jars of hot sauce, which they sell to raise money for the heat bank. "The proceeds from the sale of the hot sauce go to help families keep the heat on in the form of grants for oil, program or electricity," writes Tina Jackson, heat bank co-ordinator. "You wouldn't believe the number of hot peppers (specifically jalapenos) we need." Jackson hopes that local gardeners will help out by pledging to grow peppers for the cause this summer. To register, go to heatbankhc.ca. To get in touch with Jackson, call 705-306-0565.

\$3,500 in fines for hunting related offences

A Richmond Hill man has been fined a total of \$3,500 for hunting offences. Kin-Yong Chow pleaded guilty and was fined \$2,000 for discharging a firearm in a right of way for public vehicular traffic and \$1,500 for trespassing for the purpose of hunting a white-tailed deer. He also received a one-year hunting suspension. Court heard that on Nov. 15, 2016, Chow was driving his vehicle on Loon Lake Road, east of Haliburton, when he observed a white-tailed deer. He exited his vehicle, and while standing on the edge of the road, fired his rifle onto private property, killing the deer. He then trespassed onto the private property to retrieve the illegally killed deer. Justice of the Peace Ronald Prestage heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Minden, on April 6. To report a natural resources violation, call the MNR TIPS line at 1-877-847-7667 toll-free any time or contact your local ministry office during regular business hours. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).



Photo contest

Attention paddling lovers: send in your best pics of canoeing or kayaking for a chance to win tickets to the Reel Paddling Film Festival in Haliburton on Friday, June 9. Send in your photos by May 24 for your chance to win. Photos will be published in County Life on June 1. In photo: Paige Zimmerman. /ELIZABETH BATE photo



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Notice



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON COMMITTEE VACANCIES Haliburton County Planning Advisory Committee

The Haliburton County Planning Advisory Committee is seeking two (2) interested individuals to fill vacancies as a Committee member for the remainder of the term of County Council ending Nov 30, 2018.

As a Committee Member you will:

- Be a Canadian citizen, 18 years of age or older;
- Be a qualified elector in the County of Haliburton pursuant to the Municipal Act;
- Be able to demonstrate compliance with all relevant municipal by-laws;
- Have a planning background by education or experience;
- Have knowledge of rural Ontario issues;
- Understand general land use planning concepts and processes;
- Have knowledge of Haliburton Official Plans and Zoning by-laws;
- Be available to attend meetings during the day; and
- Be neither a member of a municipal council nor an employee of the County of Haliburton or any local municipality.

Note: Members are appointed to serve as individuals and shall not represent a specific interest group or agency. Members shall be chosen based on their interest, experience, availability, academic qualifications and expertise that they possess. Preference will be given to the criteria above, however applicants without the above listed technical background may also be considered. The public member appointments may be renewed once, but such member shall not serve more than 2 consecutive terms of County Council unless explicitly authorized by Council due to continuity of function related to a specific issue or planning exercise.

Any person having and interest in being appointed to the Planning Advisory Committee is invited to submit an expression of interest no later than Friday June 2, 2017, at 4 pm, detailing relevant experience and skills to the attention of:

Michael Rutter, County CAO/Clerk
County of Haliburton,
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Friendly competition

Red Hawks player Chloe Samson, left, defends against an attacking Natalya Gimon. They were playing an exhibition game between the senior girls and junior girls on Wednesday, May 3 at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton. The home game was held by the Hawks program after scheduled Kawartha league games against the Fenelon Falls Secondary School Falcons were cancelled when they couldn't secure transportation. /

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Hawks in flight

Red Hawks track athletes Cody Wilkinson, left, and Isaac Little train on Wednesday, May 3 at the track, located at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton. The team boasts 35 athletes, who have been practising four days a week since the end of the March break. Some of the team competed in the Bay of Quinte Invitational track meet on April 27, as preparation for the annual Kawartha championship track meet on May 11 in Peterborough./
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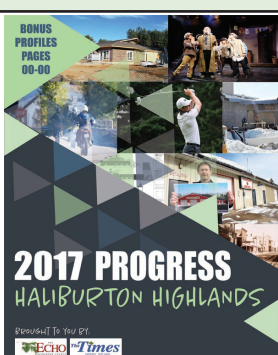
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Invites You to Join Us
A fundraiser for Haliburton Highlands Secondary School and Fleming College CFUW student bursaries, and community CFUW social projects
What: Lunch, raffle prizes, door prizes followed by bridge or other card games
When: Thursday, May 11, 2017
Where: Red Umbrella Inn
Cost: \$25 (bridge players need to buy groups of 4)
Time: 11:30 – 4 p.m.
For More Information and Tickets Contact:
Susan Keith: ch.concepts@sympatico.ca 705 457-3981
Joan Stoner: joanstoner@hotmail.com 705 489-4884

Royal Canadian Legion Haliburton, Annual General Meeting
When: Thursday May 11th, 7:30 pm
Election of Officers and Executive
All Legion members are encouraged to attend and current membership cards are required to vote.

Minden Curling Club - 50s/60s Rock & Roll Dinner/Dance
When: Saturday, May 13, 2017
Where: Minden Curling Club.
Featuring by music by The Cruisers. Dinner 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Dancing and music 7 - 11 p.m. Cash bar. Tickets are \$25.00 per person. Everyone welcome. Timely dress is encouraged but optional. Reserve your tickets by calling Lynda at 705 457-8511.

Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists General Meeting
When: Tuesday May 16th, 7 p.m.
Where: Haliburton Highlands Museum
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Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group
When: Wednesday, May 17. Doors open 6pm, presenter 7pm.
Where: Lions Hall, Bobcaygeon Road, Minden.
What: Kim Emmerson presents his film made to celebrate the Haliburton Village Sesquicentennial
Cost: no charge - everyone welcome.
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Minden Health Care Auxiliary Annual Bowl-a-thon
When: Thurs. May 18, 2017, 1 p.m.
Where: Minden Bowling Alley
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Contact Mary at (705) 455-9943 to register.

The CANADIAN FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (CFUW)
WHEN: Thursday May 18, 2017, 7-8 pm
WHERE: Haliburton School of Art and Design, Fleming College, Great Hall
COST: FREE (donations to the CFUW Haliburton Highlands Scholarship Fund would however, be welcome)
WHO: Carolyn Langdon
TOPIC: Eating on the Wild Side for Health and Pleasure

Gooderham United Church Yard Sale
When: Saturday May 20, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
Light refreshments and Bake sale
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Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library Book Sale
When: Saturday May 20, 2017 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
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Still Standing comedy show a week away

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Hilda Clark
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Excitement is growing as the time draws near for the filming of an episode of the CBC TV *Still Standing* comedy/reality show. It is scheduled to be completed here from this Thursday, May 11, through to the stage show on the evening of Monday, May 15.

Some people already know when they are scheduled to be filmed as they tell host Jonny Harris why they believe Wilberforce is still a fine place to live in spite of changes here over the years.

Perhaps they will talk about geocaching or about all of our minerals that bring tourists to this area. Or maybe they run a business that employs local workers.

Others may just be pleased that Wilberforce has been given the opportunity for exposure on this show seen across Canada on our national public network. Many will be pleased to catch even a glimpse of Jonny. They may have enjoyed seeing him play the role of Constable George Crabtree on *Murdoch Mysteries*. Some may get a

handshake or be filmed in a group waving to the star.

And many will be lining up on Monday, May 15, evening to ensure a seat for the Stand Up Comedy Show at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the show starts at 6:30 for those over 14 years old. Should be fun.

Geocachers are hardy people. Rain or shine they are on the track of a new cache or one they didn't have time for the last time they were out. Some had already been out before they came to the Lloyd Watson Centre for breakfast on Saturday, May 6. They were there to celebrate the second anniversary of Geocaching Capital of Canada Geo Tours. Breakfast was just the kickoff. They were there to experience the latest 50 caches that have been added to the 100 established two years ago across many parts of Highlands East. They searched from Wilberforce to Cardiff from Tory Hill to Highland Grove and Essonville to Gooderham with the encouragement of Tupper the (geocaching) Turtle. Hope it was fun.

The Blown Away concert with Guy Few on trumpet, piano and cornet and Nadina Mackie Jackson on bassoon really did live up to its name. On Saturday evening, May 6, at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion this first in the 2017 Concert Series brought Guy and Nadina, highly talented musicians, to the stage. They are not only talented, they love their music. They present it with joy and warmth, setting the scene for compositions from Vivaldi to Rossini from Chopin to Hoffman and current composers Libby Larson and Glenn Buhr. A fine concert that the audience truly appreciated.

Abbey Gardens brings much to West Guilford

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west guilford
Eleanor Cooper
754-2278

We are immensely proud in our neighbourhood at Maple Lake United Church and local communities of our association with John and Thea Patterson. Louise Cooper, Earl and I met with Betty and Larry Hewitt in their home when John Patterson introduced the idea of transforming the gravel pit into the garden known subsequently as Abbey Gardens. Since then the vision has become reality and has become productive and progressive in such a variety of growth. I remember seeing apple trees planted and observing row upon row of vegeta-

bles thriving, seeing the pre-built roof being raised by the huge crane and lowered onto what is now the Food Hub. I saw the first pony, "Maple", lying next to its mother the morning after it was born. Since then other facets have come into being. Will I ever forget the pleasure of opera being performed on the grounds?! The new brewery has grown in production since its inception as well. Such success thanks to staff, administration, gardeners, cooks, sales people, but mostly hats off to John whose tireless efforts have guided the overall growth. The coming honours to him and Thea are well deserved and we congratulate them with all our hearts.

Saturday, May 6, celebrated the success at Abbey Garden of garlic, wild leeks edibles and wildflowers. Carolyn Langdon presided over the event.

Euchre scores:
High: Kay Morrison and Peter Laplante
Low: Iris Miscio and Robert McIvor
Most Lone Hands: Ron Bain and Neil Moore

Attendance at the Gospel Singers' evening on May 6 at the Centre was enjoyed by all present and was encouraging enough to plan for the next Gospel Singers time. Piano and guitars played for the old familiar songs which were considered well worth repeating.

Ben Schmidt competes at OFSAA

The following are HHSS sports briefs for the week ending May 5.

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The HHSS track and field team competed at the Michelle Foley Bay of Quinte Invitational track and field meet on Thursday, April 27, in Belleville. Highlights of the day included a strong performance by our midget girls, particularly Samantha Pamplin with a 10th in the 80-metre hurdles and 11th place finishes in the 100-metre dash and a 12th place finish in long jump. Also, senior Kendall Marsden placed third in long jump and won her 200-metre heat while senior teammates Mia Quigley finished in ninth while Shelby Stevenson finished 11th in the 400-metre hurdles.

Midget athlete Isaac Little had an excellent showing in 300-metre hurdles with a fifth place while junior athlete Coleman Heaven finished fourth in the 300-metre hurdles and ninth in discus (one kilogram), junior Connor Spence finished second place in the 100-metre hurdles with junior Charles Whitehead finishing in javelin senior Kyle Brinkos finished seventh in the 400-metre hurdles and ninth in the 110-metre hurdles, Sam Longo finishing ninth in the 800 metres and 11th in 1500 metres and senior Ryan Manning earning a 15th in 1500 metres.

Ben Schmidt represented HHSS at OFSAA this past weekend after earning a silver medal at COSSA. Results were not available as of press time.

Submitted by Judi Paul

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Accommodation grading system being sought

The controversial Ontario grading system has again raised its head. At a recent Tourism Ontario meeting, Resorts Ontario proposed the grading advisory committee be reconvened to discuss grading of accommodation.

Tourism Ontario, an umbrella association for Resorts Ontario, Ontario Hotel and Motel Association, Northern Ontario Tourist Outfitters, and Ontario Motel Association, had shelved a two-and-one-half year grading study because one of its members, OH & MA, withdrew its support last fall.

At the recent Tourism Ontario meeting, OH & MA agreed to reconsider a grading system. According to president Bernice Marsh, "the OH & MA is willing to co-operate with a grading study, not the grading study."

President of Resorts Ontario, Art Ward, said his board of directors wanted to reinstate the grading system because members felt they were denied something. "It's just a desire to have more information."

With Resorts Ontario members as willing guinea pigs, the Ontario government is willing to bear the cost of testing grading.

"I hope that dialogue will be in the context of now and when we get grading underway, not if. In simple terms, I am determined to do it and we are going to proceed on that basis," Larry Grossman, Ontario Minister of Industry and Tourism said at the annual convention of Resorts Ontario.

Grossman took a strong stand: "We are going to move forward to testing grading on the open market. I was gratified to see Resorts Ontario take a leadership role."

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The cafeteria at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School is taking on a new look these days. Students of the grade 12 Family Studies course are painting designs on the walls of the room in an effort to brighten

school spirit and to give them a chance to put to work the theories of organization they've learned in class. Applying border tape are, from right to left, Ellen Anderson, Jeannine Daigle and Cindy Carnochan.

Cottager will urge county council to begin liming acid stressed area lakes

At least one area cottager is tired of the government's attitude toward the acid rain problem and has come up with a plan to do something about it.

Mike Collins, a cottager in Monmouth Township, told a special meeting of Monmouth council last Thursday that the county should begin its own program to lime area lakes stressed by acid rain.

An industrial chemist who said he has done research in the Sudbury area, Collins claimed the government is not acting fast enough to save area lakes, which have gradually been becoming acidified over the last 20 years from atmospheric pollution.

When the problem first surfaced the government claimed it wasn't important, Collins said. Later it admitted the problem was serious but said it wasn't serious enough to do something about. And recently, Collins said, the government has

acknowledged that the problem is extremely serious but continues to maintain that nothing can be done about it in the immediate future.

Collins said the govern-

ment's claim that it doesn't have sufficient money to begin an expensive program to save precambrian shield lakes from the effects of acid rain is "nonsense".

Farmers not getting their share - Logan

Farmers in Haliburton and Victoria Counties are not getting their share of "the agricultural pie" according to the area Liberal candidate.

Speaking in Cambray on April 25, David Logan said farmers in both counties "have been neglected regarding the availability of information and leadership required to direct them to take advantage of the funds that are available."

As an example, Logan said that in 1978-79, to January 31, only \$54,400 was received from the Feed-freight Assistance Adjustment Fund. Contributions equal to 30 percent

of capital expenditures (to a maximum of \$1,500 per farmer) for permanent storage structures for grain, silage and haylage, driers, grain handling systems, feed preparation and distribution systems, were available.

"Thus, at maximum, something in the order of 36 farmers were assisted. I suggest that more could be helped if the lines of communication could be opened," Logan said.

The Liberal candidate also said farmers should be aware that contributions equal to 50 percent of the cost, up to a maximum of \$10,000 were

available to the farmer innovator who developed new technologies which would have improved grain production. Only \$8,500 was received in Victoria and Haliburton Counties in 1978-79 to January 31, 1979.

HHSS class redecorating cafeteria to boost spirit

Jeannine Daigle and her grade 12 Family Studies course classmates have managed to turn learning into practical experience.

The 18-year old student and her classmates at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School are working on a project involving painting the walls of the school's cafeteria. The aim is to use the skills learned by the class, to brighten the cafeteria and

"Theft" was an effort to prevent a theft

It looked like a theft, but it wasn't. It seems that Mountview Lodge near Gooderham (what is left after a fire some time ago) was entered between January 15 and April 24 and a jukebox and a shuffleboard were removed.

The total estimate of the items was \$2,300. Following an investigation by OPP Constable Mike Maher, both items were recovered.

The property had been removed by a third party who took them into safe keeping so they wouldn't be stolen. No charges have been laid.



The annual track meet at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School is on today, but at press time, the weather was less than agreeable, as Keith and Phil Smith found out. The boys, both grade 12 students, were out on the school's track Tuesday trying to remove as many of the potholes and as much water as possible.

Plenty of problems but very few solutions for economic commission

A lack of forest management, an absence of loans for small businessmen and a shortage of new lakefront property for development were among the problems brought to the attention of the Haliburton County Economic Development Commission Friday night in Wilberforce.

Eight briefs were presented at the workshop, the third in a series of three meetings intended to give county ratepayers a chance to air their economic concerns.

More than 40 people turned up at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre to hear public presentations to the nine member committee.

First brief of the evening came from Bruce Gibbs of Wilberforce Veneer and Lumber, who told the commission that too little effort was going into forest management in the county.

"There hasn't been any promotion given to forest management," Gibbs said. "There has to be a more concentrated effort and it's got to start at the local level."

He suggested the commission should use its influence to promote funding from government and private institutions for an ongoing forest management program.

Gibbs said consideration should also be given to using wood waste for the production of energy in the county. Experiments are currently underway in other areas to convert waste into small pellets "that might be used to replace oil in automated furnaces," Gibbs said.

He also suggested the possibility that a plant could be located in the county to produce artificial fire logs, the majority of which are presently manufactured in the United States.

Speaking for the Mountain Lake Property Owners Association, Patrick Daniel, area NDP candidate, said the owners supported the idea of long range planning, but that they felt public input should be allowed into planning decisions.

Daniel suggested associations such as the one he represented should be notified of upcoming planning decisions that would be of direct interest to them. He also recommended that non-interest groups be sought from various property owners and cottagers' associations.

Speaking as a political candidate in the upcoming federal election, Daniel said one of the keys to development was better co-operation between small businessmen and government. He also urged the commission to use caution in seeking to attract industry to the area.

"Let's not rush into introducing into Haliburton, new industry that could do more harm than good in the long term," he said.

Martin Hoffman, owner of the Flying Dutchman wood-working shop in Haliburton Village, told the commission

the government wasn't doing enough for the small businessman. Hoffman said the commission should use its influence to persuade the government to make small low interest loans available for people who wanted to start a business and thus contribute to economic growth.

Hoffman also suggested municipalities should begin a glass recycling program at various dumpsites, with the money collected from the sale

of the glass being donated to charities.

Jane Hepplestone of the Canada Manpower Outreach Office in Haliburton outlined for the commission the various assistance programs available to help employers and employees.

Sonya Holliday-Rhodes, chairman of the Haliburton County Anti-Pollution Committee, recommended that the commission set up an impartial task force to examine the environmental impact

of any industry before it allowed it to locate in the county. She said the committee was particularly concerned about possible pollution from uranium mining and pulp plants.

Commission chairman Glen Hodgson said the Commission shared the anti-pollution committee's concerns, and that consideration would be given to establishing a central site for industry where various environmental

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Cracked girder forces repair of MTC bridge in Kinmount

Traffic flow over the Burnt River bridge in Kinmount has been reduced to a single lane and a load limit of ten tons has been imposed following the discovery of a cracked girder on the bridge's east side.

Spokesmen for the Ministry of Transportation and Communications say the single lane traffic flow and the ten ton limit will continue until a Bailey bridge can be

constructed to allow for repair or replacement of the girder. Workers from the MTC were on the site last week examining the condition of the bridge, which has a normal load limit of 43 tons.

A fisherman is reported to have noticed the cracked girder and reported it to the authorities, forcing the reduction in traffic.

Cause of the damage is still

unknown according to Malcolm McMaster District Engineer at the Port Hope office of the Ministry. He speculated, however, that expansion and contraction of the beam in the severe cold weather this past winter could have been a factor in the break.

The bridge was reported to have been checked by Ministry officials last summer and found to be in safe condition.



The bridge over the Burnt River in Kinmount was reduced to single lane traffic last week following the discovery of a break in the bridge's main supporting beam on the east side. Work to repair the break has begun, and a Bailey bridge may have to be built to allow repairs to be completed. Load limit on the bridge has been set at 10 tons.

Lutterworth council lodges protest of '79 Board of Education apportionment

Lutterworth Township council has lodged a protest over the apportionment of 1979 Haliburton County Board of Education levies.

Lutterworth's share of this year's approximately \$4.8 million Board of Education budget is \$203,066. Last year's levy to Lutterworth was \$181,879.

The increase amounts to 11.7 percent, the highest increase in the county. Levies were up an average of 9.2 percent for all Haliburton County municipalities this year.

Jim Lutterworth, business administrator for the board, said Monday that Lutterworth's assessment (the basis on which levies are apportioned to municipalities) has grown by 3.41 percent in the last year, compared to an overall assessment increase across the county of 1.8 percent. The assessment increase in Lutterworth has resulted in a corresponding increase in the portion of the total school board levy that Lutterworth has been asked to pay.

Lutterworth council, however, isn't satisfied that the apportionment is fair, and has decided to contest it.

"We're one of the smallest townships and we got the biggest whack," rove Ron Gambell said Tuesday. "We feel we have to protest on behalf of the taxpayers."

Under the terms of the Education Act of 1974, a board of arbitration consisting of all of the municipal clerk treasurers in the county will be called to consider the Lutterworth protest. That meeting is scheduled for May 17.

The arbitration board is empowered to adjust the apportionment if it agrees

with Lutterworth's contention that the percentages are unfair. That isn't likely to happen however, because any change in the Lutterworth apportionment would result in an increase in the levies for other county municipalities.

Once the clerks hand down their decision, Lutterworth will have 30 days in which to file a further protest with the Ontario Municipal Board.

A number of such appeals have been launched in the past in Haliburton County, with little success.

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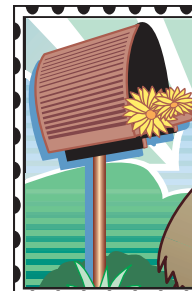
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Wed., May 31st
2 pm to 5 pm
You are invited to
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Wednesday, May 31st is Dale Walker's last day as the Executive Director of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. After 18 years as the ED and being the driving force in raising over \$13 million for the betterment of the health care in our community, Dale is retiring but starting a new career with husband Jerry at the new Haliburton Home hardware.

In honour of Dale's great achievements at the HHHSF, we invite you to attend our Open House to wish Dale well.

There will be time to catch up with former and present colleagues, staff, volunteers and members of our two boards of directors.

Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP to peterecoyler@gmail.com on or before Friday, May 19th.

We look forward to having you take part in recognizing Dale's 18 years with the HHHSF.

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In Loving Memory of

J. Gary Chapman

Who died peacefully at home on Mountain Lake on Thursday, May 4, 2017 surrounded by his loving family.

Beloved husband of Judy and loving father of Cheri (Bruce), and Shaun (Top). Loving grandfather of Gavin (Dani), Brady (Rachel), Robby (Randi), Ben (Vic), Hannah and great grandfather of Rome. Fondly remembered by his sister Gail (Doug), brother-in-law Don (Jane) and sister-in-law Bea (Angus) and nieces and nephews Karen, Rob, Bryan, Heather, Allison, Jennifer, Rebecca, Sarah and John.

Gary was an Ontario Provincial Policeman, a water-colour artist, singer and guitar player who founded his first band "The Virtually Unknowns" at the age of 17. Gary was a great story teller, a camper who loved the outdoors and a wonderful, fun-loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend.

He will be sadly missed by his family friends throughout Canada and the U.S. As an artist Gary taught water-colour for over 20 years at the Haliburton School of the Arts, he was a member of The Canadian Society of Rye and Watercolour Painters and past president of the East Central Ontario Artist Association.

A Celebration of Gary's Life will take place at the Red Umbrella Inn (off Hwy. 35 at 1075 Red Umbrella Rd., Carnarvon) on Sunday, May 28, 2017 from 2:00 pm until 5:00 pm. We hope that you can make it. If you have any memories you would like to share they would be most welcome. Please let Judy, Shaun or Cheri know if you would like to say a few words. We plan to have a brief prayer at 3 pm followed by memories of Gary. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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Margaret MacDuff (nee Madill)

(Resident of Gooderham, Ontario)

Peacefully at Extendicare - Haliburton on Saturday evening, May 6, 2017. Beloved wife of Dawson MacDuff. Loving mother of Eddie, Robert (Lynn) and Richard (Lynne). Fondly remembered by her eight grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren. Predeceased by her brother Robert Madill. Also lovingly remembered by her nephews Keith, Paul and niece Cindy. Margaret was the bookkeeper of D. MacDuff Contracting for over forty years. She enjoyed painting, gardening, sewing, knitting, horses and most of all her family.

Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends are invited to call at the **GOODERHAM UNITED CHURCH** 10744 County Road 503, Gooderham, Ontario on Wednesday May 10, 2017 for the Funeral Service at 11 o'clock. (Visitation one hour prior). Interment Glamorgan Cemetery, Gooderham. As expressions of sympathy, donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

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